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In re Application of :
Fencl and Culbert :
Reissue Application No.: 10/706,483 :
Filed: November 12, 2003 :
Attorney Docket No: S002-P02005US :
For: GERMICIDAL LAMP FOR HARSH ENVIRONMENTS :

: DECISION ACCORDING
: RULE 47(a) STATUS

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed November 12, 2003.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

The above-cited reissue application was filed on November 12, 2003, and was accompanied by a declaration executed by only inventor Culbert. A petition under 37 CFR 1.47 was also filed on November 12, 2003, indicating that inventor Fencl expressly refused to execute the declaration for the reissue application. A letter from the attorney for inventor Fencl accompanied the petition expressing inventor Fencl's refusal to execute the declaration.

Petitioner has shown that inventor Fencl has expressly refused accept the application papers for review and had refused to join the above-identified reissue application. The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the addresses given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

This application will be forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

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